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Banquet A. K. Tenant Majorville Murmurings

GLEICHEN, ALBERTA, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1914

Christmas Tree a Great Success

On Thursday night a banquet was given to Mr. A. K. Tenant by the Officers and men in Gleichen and their wives on his leaving for the front in charge of the Western Canadian Contingent of the 6th Royal Sussex Regiment Cyclist Corps. An excellent repast was served about half by Miss Larkin to which a number of prominent citizens, town and country, present, we noted Messes Bray, J. Young, W. R. McKie, Douglas Hardwick, W. H. McKe, H. G. Gooderham, Stanislaus Hawkings, J. A. Matheson, H. R. B. McKeown, Dr. T. Irvin, Dr. J. C. McLean, J. Roberts, J. T. M. Hughes, J. B. Leggett, O. Colquhoun, B. Allan, J. McDonald, A. R. Yates, T. H. Beach, W. H. James, J. Martin, Walter Elliott, W. McHugh, Alex McHugh, J. Morton, S. A. Hall, D. L. Leam, H. Grank, Rhodes, W. W. Brown, H. Hicks and O. McHugh.

After the patriotic toasts—"The King and Royal Family, the Allies and the Imperial Army Navy and Air Force"—and the singing of hymns and hymnals, Mr. Tenant, in short but feeling speech proposed the toast of the evening, "Mr. Tenant," The Chairman then presented to Mr. Tenant on behalf of those present a small testimonial of their regard, a gold engraved ring and a pair of field glasses.

Mr. Tenant in his reply after thanking the friends explained how strongly he felt the call of duty and how proud he was to have been selected to enroll and command the division of men he was making with him.

The next toast was the Western Contingent Royal Sussex Regiment Cyclist Corps, and in proposing it, Mr. Hardwick said that he and his wife, Mrs. McKeown and his son said that although this former was a stranger to many of those present the latter was an old friend to all and would be much missed in the district which has been his home for so many years. Many other toasts were proposed and responded to with songs from Messrs Matheson, McHugh and a very joyful note was spent which only broke up in time to all see Mr. Tenant off on the train for Calgary.

Mr. and Mrs. John Vates were visiting in Calgaray with a letter and tin pie and sleeve links. We all wish Mr. Tenant and his gallant company every success and a happy return.

Miss Jean Gooderham has returned from St. Mary's convent at Calgary to spend the holiday season.

Mrs. Larkin and Miss Ella Crockett left yesterday afternoon to spend Xmas in Calgary.

The Gleichen Red Cross wished to acknowledge with thanks the donation of \$5 from the Blood Creek Sunday School sent by Miss Carrie Kidd superintendent.

Tommy Woodland, the popular child of S. A. Hall's store, left Sunday morning for his home in England. He is succeeded by A. Bowen of Bassano.

J. B. Leggett of Drumheller spent a couple of days visiting his former Gleichen friends last week in the Lake McGregor district.

Two new babies arrived in the Majorville district last week. One at Mrs. Fries and the other one at Ewig Clemmons household. Both are reported doing fine.

Gleichen—Formerly known as the "Gleichen of the West" and her infant Gleichen will hereafter be known as Majorville. We are situated some twenty-five miles southeast of Lethbridge and can be reached by mail coach twice a week from Gleichen. Situated as we are at the eastern extremity of the prairie, we have no coal and have one of the best if not the best hard wheat producing districts in the province. The people for the most part are a very industrious, poor loving lot and naturally, therefore, socially very supreme.

Our school has been provided for the last year by Miss Lizzie Knight of Calgary who has been a very efficient teacher and has endeared herself to her pupils. Miss Weston left us a week ago and has gone with her many friends and many of her bachelor friends here are wondering, "Will ye no come back again?"

"Grandpa Laugher," from Superior, is spending the holiday season here with his children, and feeling speech proposed the toast of the evening, "Mr. Tenant."

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The well driller, according to latest reports, is making good progress on Aeroplane Hill.

Mr. and Mrs. Preston Mills have been visiting in Calgaray with a letter and tin pie and sleeve links. We all wish Mr. Tenant and his gallant company every success and a happy return.

Miss Ella Beegs has been a visitor to Gleichen this week.

Mr. John Stewart, carpenter, left for Calgaray this week to spend Xmas with his family.

Taking a retrospective of the community for the past year we find that the population has been increased by the addition of five thousand to as many homes. The grim messenger also visited and bore news upon the whole we must wish one and all a Merry Xmas and a prosperous New Year.

Queenstown Locals

Miss Ella Marmer of Lake MacGregor was married last week to Mr. E. John a farmer in the Lake McGregor district.

There was a wedding dance on Friday evening, Dec. 11th, in the Lake McGregor school.

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The Red Cross rooms will be closed until the first Monday in January.

The Gleichen annual Christmas tree entertainment last Thursday evening is generally admitted to be the best ever given in this town and compared most favorably with the professional in many ways. There is much credit due our Public School teachers for the very efficient training given the children, which is one of the very best evidences of the ability of our educationalists that the parents and public could ask for. The Opera House was packed with the children and their friends and every item on the program was most heartily applauded and appreciated. The whole affair was a success and we trust no one will attempt anything like a fair duplicate of such number in the limited space this issue, and to justice to all will now only give the program:

1 Christmas Carol..... The School
2 Merry Christmas! Thirteen Boys and Girls
3 Vocal Solo, "Caller Herren"..... Jean Walker
4 Christmas-Uols Little Girls
5 Christmas-Tenting To-Night!..... A group of Boys
6 Vocal Solo..... Charlie Walker
7 Toyland Primary Children
8 Maypole Drill Intermediate Girls
9 Recitation, "When I'm a Man"..... Seven Little Boys
10 Japanese Love Song with drill..... Senior Girls
11 Tales of Gaul, Ireland, Robin Brereton; Scotland, Nora
12 German, English, Loma Koepf; Canada, Louise
13 Christmas Carol..... With chorus.
14 God Save the King!

This was the Santa Claus burst through the door and with bells ringing made his way to the platform causing much excitement for the little folk, but evidently he was very weary from his long trip from the north as his voice seemed low and he had little to say to the expectant kiddies but this was made up for by every boy and girl getting a present and all went home happy.

Another Point of View

Lethbridge, Dec. 23.

"Show me a piece of irrigated land and I'll tell you whether it is irrigated with less cost." A great many farmers make a mistake in watering their land too freely, and from what you have told me I should judge that the same mistake is made in irrigating with gypsum as solid as a rock or not—and I will show a piece of land that is worth \$200 an acre."

That rather put the muller on the Gleichen farm's back! Backlund, himself, said irrigation canals were not successful in a section where the subsoil is underlaid with gypsum. And the statement is, I believe, well founded in regard to irrigation. Simonsen had made the statement here that Prof. Shaw was busy spreading the gospel of dry farming and that he did not approve of irrigation. "Prof. Shaw is a personal friend of mine," said the muller, "and I can say from first hand knowledge that he is in favor of irrigation. The only reason he doesn't boast it is because he is too busy looking after the dry farmers in his territory. The irrigation takes care of themselves," said the man in the Milk River valley did. He sowed his own land and made it useless for irrigation or any other kind of farming."

Dr. Williams pointed out the fact that farmers who were endeavoring to get irrigation at \$15 an acre, and he was asked for an expression of opinion on the cost. "The Milk River project will cost the farmers in Montana close to \$50 an acre before it is completed," he said. "I don't know that they are any more expensive than a hardman than not. I am farming under exactly the same conditions in Montana, and I figure that in the Milk River valley we can get irrigation at \$10 an acre, but I am not sure."

"They don't need 40 years. I let them the water they can pay for it easily in ten years out of their increased production. There is absolutely no argument against irrigation."

Wm. McConnell has opened an office in the Gleichen Trading Company's block, where he is handling coal and doing a regular drybag business and has placed in weighing scales. Coal and him has been a great success.

Mrs. A. M. Dunn, the ever obliging manager of the local branch of the Provincial Government Telephone, left on Monday to spend a couple of weeks with relatives at Innisfail.

SUCCESSFUL GROCERY SHOWER

he was sleeping quietly. At five to six he went down to awaken him, and found him dead.

The deceased was over on his face evidently suffocated.

The deceased had been working a labor in various capacities for the past eight years in that vicinity and was familiarly known as "Shorty" or "Merry" knowing him as Dave and William.

While it is known he came from Scotland from the many contrabandery reports it is impossible to learn just where part, although it is a fact that he had been in or near Glendale since 1908.

However, he had a good many friends hereabouts who readily subscribed sufficient money to give him a respectable burial.

Gleichen Trading Co. advt. via name Telegram.

Master Frank Viger has returned from the West Coast, College City, Calif., for the holiday season.

Miss Bell Larkin is spending her Xmas holidays at Hanna with her relatives.

W. A. Jewett and wife are visiting his brother, J. W. Jewett, on their way to Edgley, B.C.

A lengthy communication on the way to Edgley is crowded with

The Hick Club dance proved an enormous big social and also added considerably to the Club's treasure. The question is when will the boys next entertain their many friends?

The Pacific Cold Storage Company's local butcher shop is wearing a nice green carpet of sawdust as a result of "Shorty's" ingenuity. The secret is that it has been decided not to go to the elaborate decorations this season, yet he has produced a sight worth seeing.

M. Mecklenburg, the eye specialist, will be in Standard on Thursday, Dec. 31.

To-day—Thursday—there is a sale of home made candy at the Gleichen Relief Corp. rooms, the proceeds to be devoted to supplying Christmas cheer locally.

The Relief Corp. rooms will close Saturday until the first week in the New Year.

The Herald-Call
War Bulletins

During the past few weeks some complained the Call has not supplied all the war bulletins. Let us explain that the Call has been receiving the bulletins through the courtesy of the Calgary Daily Herald, and many have been kindly enough to supply the Call with reliable copy in a musical practical all the news contained in the big daily papers which the Herald and the Call duly appreciate. However, the censorship has been very keen and Editor Woods of the Herald, who has been a great help to the Call, has each been held frequent further service and asked to leave the bar room.

The night clerk noticed deceased in the bar early in the evening and come out in a short time and noiselessly sleeping in a chair in the basement. The deceased had been to attend to the furnace after which he lay down on a mattress in the basement asleep. Several times during the night he was disturbed and when he was seen he had been hit, but the last time alive was about four o'clock when

MISCELLANEOUS

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FOUND—Pair of mens bag furnaces new Gleichen Laundry. Apply at Call office.

STRAVED—From 8.22, T.10 R.18 one acre bare 1/2 year old, white birch on heavy loam in foot and bounded on three sides by timbered land. \$1000 for getting same back, \$300 monogram, on left shoulder. \$100 reward for information leading to the recovery of the property.

LOST—Black Handbag containing two letters and some cash. Finder to be rewarded on returning to E. D. Robinson, Gleichen.

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Standard and Craigantler

Miss Gubb spent this week end in
Calgary.

The dances are on in full swing again this district up to the present. The Patriotic fund has not been fitted any around this district up to the present. It would be a very good plan to have a box social and dance in aid of same or the Red Cross.

Some young men might consider this their "political graph" ability to build suitable for the same and not bother the public in the stores or post office as the case has been lately.

There is some talk of a mounted policeman for the Standard district during the war.

The coal at the mine has been for the past two months of the very best quality. The output has broken all records.

Who says: Insure your life for a thousand or two at the very rock bottom premium is the order of the day?

Chinamen seem to be taking a hold in Standard. Will the white men ever get a chance in this country?

Mr. and Mrs. Alex McKie are happy over the arrival of a daughter, at their house on Sunday, Dec. 20th. Fine Xmas present Alex.

The Standard town fathers are anxious for a more satisfactory train service.

Our district has been adding to the popularity lately. Three births in one week. Good for Craigantler.

Mr. Beck returned from Gleichen with a bunch of cattle he was to have sold, but he was not being high enough so he thought he would feed them a while longer.

Mr. and Mrs. Ella of Craigantler are to be congratulated, it is a boy

A movement is being made to form an amateur dramatic society in Gleichen. Funds are to be requested from ladies and gentlemen interested communally with R. J. Arnold, Royal Bank Block, or H. Murphy, Gleichen Studio.

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